AGRICULTURE CODE

TITLE 3. AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND PROMOTION CHAPTER 42. FOOD AND FIBERS RESEARCH GRANT PROGRAM

Sec. 42.001. PURPOSE. The food and fibers research grant program is a program in the department to assist the fibers and oilseeds industries in this state by identifying and obtaining available funding from public and private entities, including federal agencies and state agencies in this and other states, for the support of applied research related to fibers and oilseeds.

Acts 1981, 67th Leg., p. 1090, ch. 388, Sec. 1, eff. Sept. 1, 1981.

Amended by Acts 1989, 71st Leg., ch. 38, Sec. 1, eff. Sept. 1, 1989.

Amended by:

Acts 2005, 79th Leg., Ch. 245 (H.B. 373), Sec. 2, eff. May 30, 2005.

Sec. 42.0015. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:

- (1) "Council" means the Food and Fibers Research Council.
- (2) "Program" means the food and fibers research grant program.

Added by Acts 2005, 79th Leg., Ch. 245 (H.B. 373), Sec. 3, eff. May 30, 2005.

Sec. 42.002. ORGANIZATION. The Food and Fibers Research Council is composed of the following members appointed by the commissioner:

- (1) the commissioner or the commissioner's designee;
- (2) two representatives of the Texas Cotton Producers Association;
 - (3) a representative of the Texas Cotton Association;
- (4) a representative of the Texas Cotton Ginners Association;
- (5) a representative of the Texas Independent Ginners Association;
- (6) a representative of the Texas Agriculture Cooperative Council;

- (7) a representative of the Mohair Council of America;
- (8) a representative of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association;
- (9) a Texas representative of the National Cottonseed Products Association;
 - (10) a representative of the peanut industry;
- (11) a representative of the textile or fashion industry; and
- (12) a representative of the food processing industry.

 Acts 1981, 67th Leg., p. 1091, ch. 388, Sec. 1, eff. Sept. 1, 1981.

 Amended by Acts 1985, 69th Leg., ch. 479, Sec. 184, eff. Sept. 1, 1985;

 Acts 1985, 69th Leg., ch. 729, Sec. 11, eff. Sept. 1, 1985;

 Acts 1989, 71st Leg., ch. 38, Sec. 1, eff. Sept. 1, 1989; Acts 1991, 72nd Leg., 1st C.S., ch. 17, Sec. 2.03, eff. Nov. 12, 1991; Acts 1995, 74th Leg., ch. 37, Sec. 1, eff. Sept. 1, 1995.

 Amended by:

Acts 2005, 79th Leg., Ch. 245 (H.B. 373), Sec. 4, eff. May 30, 2005.

Acts 2007, 80th Leg., R.S., Ch. 884 (H.B. 2222), Sec. 1, eff. June 15, 2007.

Sec. 42.003. ADMINISTRATION. (a) Members of the council serve staggered six-year terms, with as near as possible to one-third of the members' terms expiring on February 1 of each odd-numbered year.

- (b) The commissioner or the commissioner's designee serves as presiding officer of the council.
- (c) The council shall meet at least once each year at a time designated by the presiding officer.
- (d) Members of the council are not entitled to compensation for service on the council or reimbursement for travel expenses incurred by the member while conducting council business.
- (e) The commissioner shall provide the council with necessary staff and resources to administer the program, as determined by the commissioner. The commissioner may also appoint or employ consultants or other agents as necessary for the business of the program.

(f) The commissioner may adopt rules necessary to administer this chapter.

Acts 1981, 67th Leg., p. 1091, ch. 388, Sec. 1, eff. Sept. 1, 1981. Amended by Acts 1989, 71st Leg., ch. 38, Sec. 1, eff. Sept. 1, 1989; Acts 1995, 74th Leg., ch. 37, Sec. 2, eff. Sept. 1, 1995. Amended by:

Acts 2005, 79th Leg., Ch. 245 (H.B. 373), Sec. 4, eff. May 30, 2005.

Sec. 42.004. POWERS AND DUTIES. (a) The council shall administer the program to provide funding for surveys, research, and investigations relating to the use of cotton fiber, cottonseed, oilseed products, other products of the cotton plant, wool, mohair, and other textile products.

- (b) The department may contract with any state institution of higher education, state agency, or federal agricultural agency to perform services for the council or for the use of the facilities of the agency.
- (c) The awarding of program grant funds under this chapter is restricted to surveys, research, or investigations of cotton, cottonseed oil or other related oilseed products, wool, mohair, or other related textile products, unless otherwise specifically provided by the terms of the grant.

Acts 1981, 67th Leg., p. 1091, ch. 388, Sec. 1, eff. Sept. 1, 1981.

Amended by Acts 1989, 71st Leg., ch. 38, Sec. 1, eff. Sept. 1, 1989.

Amended by:

Acts 2005, 79th Leg., Ch. 245 (H.B. 373), Sec. 4, eff. May 30, 2005.

Sec. 42.008. FINANCES. (a) The council and the department may solicit and accept, for the purposes of this chapter, gifts, donations, and grants from public and private sources, subject only to limitations contained in the gift, donation, or grant.

- (b) Funds appropriated for the purposes of this chapter shall be expended at the direction of the council on claims approved by the council.
 - (c) The total amount of appropriations, exclusive of

legislative appropriations of gifts from private sources, expended or encumbered by the council for purposes of research during a fiscal biennium may not exceed the amount of private gifts, donations, or grants to the council expended or encumbered for research during the same period.

(d) All money paid to the council under this chapter is subject to Subchapter F, Chapter 404, Government Code.

Added by Acts 1989, 71st Leg., ch. 38, Sec. 1, eff. Sept. 1, 1989.

Amended by Acts 1995, 74th Leg., ch. 37, Sec. 3, eff. Sept. 1, 1995.

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